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In re Application of:

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The Office Action dated February 13, 2001, has been received and reviewed. In that Office Action, it was indicated that the Amendment filed on November 20, 2000, was not fully responsive because it included a version of claim 30 that did not show all changes being made as required by Patent Office rules.

It is respectfully requested that the inadvertent amendment to claim 30 filed on November 20, 2000, be ignored. Since changes to that claim were not shown in the manner required by the rules of the Patent Office, it would appear that such changes could not be and have not been entered. If some changes were made to claim 30, it is requested that these changes be "unentered." Unless advised to the contrary by the

examiner, Applicant will treat claim 30 as if it were never amended, and if a future amendment to this claim becomes necessary, such amendment will be treated as the first amendment to that claim.

Applicant's attorney can be reached at the below telephone number if further information is needed.

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